

## **DEFERRED PROSECUTION PROGRAM**

### **Misdemeanor (CRIMINAL) Charges**

The Prosecutor's Office offers a deferred prosecution agreement (**DPA**) for certain misdemeanor charges, such as:

Illegal Consumption  
Illegal Possession of Alcohol  
Possession of Marijuana (as a misdemeanor)  
Possession of Paraphernalia  
Conversion  
Check Deception—(see below)

**If** you are eligible, you may avoid a conviction on your criminal record.

### **WHO DOES NOT QUALIFY FOR A CRIMINAL DPA**

1. Anyone with a **prior conviction** of **any** criminal charge.
2. Anyone who has previously entered into the Deferred Prosecution Program

### **HOW A DPA WORKS**

A criminal deferral includes:

1. **Paying a deferral fee.**
2. **Having no additional criminal charges against you for a specified period of time.**
3. **There may be other fines, and/ or stipulations as ordered by the Prosecutor.**

To see if you might qualify, and to request a DPA----please contact the Prosecutor's Office at (812) 379-1670, and select option 2.

### **CHECK DECEPTION DEFERRAL'S**

**To qualify: You must have no prior check deception charges.**

**How a Check Deception DPA works:**

1. **You must pay for any/all outstanding checks.**
2. **You must pay a deferral fee**
3. **You must pay for Court costs.**

**THESE MUST ALL BE PAID AT THE TIME OF FILING THE DPA**

To see if you qualify, and to request a Check Deception DPA----please contact the Prosecutor's Office at (812) 379-1670, and select option 0.

